

on many boards, including the board of directors for the 219 Henry Street Corporation and the Department Center for Education and Health Services.

Dr. From has also received numerous honors, ranging from being named among the "Outstanding Young Men in America" in 1974, to being included in the 1997-98 Whos's Who in Medicine and Health Care.

Tonight, however, Dr. From will be honored for his outstanding contribution to the Gouverneur Hospital Community Advisory Board. Dr. From was first elected to the board in 1974 by over 3,000 diverse members of the New York City community. He served as treasurer until 1977, and then proceeded to serve as chairman of the board for 21 years. The community and Gouverneur Hospital have benefitted immensely from his wisdom and guidance.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in thanking and congratulating Dr. From for his many years of outstanding service to this board and to the community. It is a privilege to have such an outstanding leader in my district.

TRIBUTE TO OFFICER CLAIRE CONNELLY

**HON. KEN CALVERT**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a fallen police officer from Riverside, California. Officer Claire Connelly, who was an 18-month veteran of the force, is the first female Riverside police officer ever to be killed in the line of duty. She contributed generously of her time and talents to help others and to make her community a better place in which to live and work.

She was a bright, caring, and compassionate individual who made an everlasting impression in her short life. Claire Connelly went out every day to make a difference and she did—some days in small ways, some days in big ways, and on July 12, 1998, at the cost of her life. One cannot ask more of peace officers. Officer Connelly deserves our deepest respect and gratitude.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me today in remembering this fine officer. On behalf of the residents of the 43rd Congressional District, I extend my prayers and most heartfelt sympathy to her family and loved ones.

TRIBUTE TO THE BRONX PUERTO RICAN DAY PARADE

**HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, once again it is with pride that I rise to pay tribute to the Bronx Puerto Rican Day Parade, on its tenth year of celebrating the culture and contributions of the Puerto Rican community to our nation.

The Bronx Puerto Rican Day Parade will be held on Sunday in my South Bronx Congres-

sional District. The event is the culmination of a series of activities surrounding Puerto Rican Week in the Bronx.

Under the leadership of its founder, Mr. Angel L. Rosario, and its president, Mr. Francisco Gonzalez, the Parade has grown into one of the most colorful and important festivals of Puerto Rican culture in the five Boroughs of New York City and beyond.

The Parade brings together people from all ethnic backgrounds, including Puerto Ricans from the island and all across the nation.

It is an honor for me to join once again the hundreds of thousands of people who will march with pride from Mount Eden to 161st Street and the Grand Concourse in celebration of our Puerto Rican heritage. The Puerto Rican flag and other ornaments in the flag's red, white, and blue will decorate the festival.

As one who has participated in the parade in the past, I can attest that the excitement it generates brings the entire City together. It is a celebration and an affirmation of life. It feels wonderful that so many people can have this experience, which will change the lives of many of them. There's no better way to see our Bronx community.

The event will feature a wide variety of entertainment for all age groups. The Parade ends at 161st and the Grand Concourse, where live music, Puerto Rican food, crafts, and other entertainments await partakers. It is expected that this year's Parade will surpass last year's half-million visitors.

In addition to the Parade, President Gonzalez and the many organizers will provide the community with nearly a week of activities to commemorate the contributions of the Puerto Rican community, its culture and history.

Mr. Speaker, it is with enthusiasm that I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to this wonderful celebration of Puerto Rican culture, which has brought much pride to the Bronx community.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL JOHN KELLY

**HON. FLOYD SPENCE**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, it is a pleasure for me to pay tribute today to a truly exceptional Marine, and American, Colonel John Kelly, who serves as the Marine Corps Liaison Officer to the U.S. House of Representatives. Today, John pins on the rank of "full-bird" colonel. I cannot think of an officer more deserving of this promotion.

Military promotion boards make their selections based on sustained and superior performance, as well as on an officer's ability to lead. John has demonstrated throughout his career that he is an outstanding leader of Marines. And that is the essence being a Marine!

A native of Brighton, Massachusetts, John began his military career by enlisting in the Marine Corps on September 10, 1970. From the beginning, John demonstrated his leadership potential. Only nineteen months after enlisting, John was meritoriously promoted to sergeant—a feat that is nearly unheard of! Shortly thereafter, John was selected for the coveted Marine Enlisted Commissioning Education Program, where he obtained his bachelor's degree in just over three years.

Upon graduation, John was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps on November 1, 1975. Throughout his twenty-eight-year career, John Kelly has commanded every echelon of infantry unit from fire team to battalion. His non-Fleet Marine Force assignments included serving as executive officer of the Marine detachments aboard the aircraft carriers U.S.S. *Forrestal* and U.S.S. *Independence*. During his ship-board duty, John acquired his "sea-legs" by qualifying as "Officer of the Deck Underway," a qualification that is difficult to achieve and allowed him to conn the ship during flight operations. Among his other assignments, John was stationed at the Marine Corps' Combat Development Command where he served as instructor at "The Basic School," manpower monitor, and director of the Infantry Officers Course. John also has earned post-graduate degrees from Georgetown University and the National Defense University.

On June 11, 1995, Colonel Kelly reported for duty at the Marine Corps' House Liaison Office and immediately assumed responsibility for the direction of the liaison office's activities, which include responding to Congressional and constituent inquiries as well as planning, coordinating and escorting Members and Congressional Staff on domestic and overseas travel. I benefited personally from John's professionalism, thoroughness and attention to detail, having had the opportunity to travel with him to military installations around the world. I know that I speak for all of my colleagues in thanking John for his integrity, his dedication to duty and, above all, for his friendship. John is a natural leader in the finest tradition of the nation and the Marine Corps.

I would also like to take a moment to recognize John's family. The nation asks a lot of our service members. And when we ask a lot of the men and women in uniform, we also ask a lot of the spouses and families that are left behind. During John's career, he and his family have made many sacrifices for his nation. Therefore, I would also like to thank John's family—his lovely wife, Karen, and their three children, John, Robert and Kathleen—for their support to John and for their contributions to the Marine Corps.

Mr. Speaker, I know first hand that Colonel John Kelly is ready to meet the challenges and opportunities ahead. John epitomizes what it means to devote oneself to serving the nation. I look forward to the day when I will call him "General." Semper Fidelis!

IN RECOGNITION OF MICHAEL D. WIDLER

**HON. SCOTT MCINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of an individual who has, for the past 30 years, faithfully and honorably served in the United States of America while in the United States Naval Reserves. His name is Michael D. Widler of Grand Junction, Colorado. During his distinguished career, Mr. Widler, a Master Chief Petty Officer, provided exceptional service and sustained outstanding performance while serving with the Naval Security Group, from October 8, 1969 through

October 7, 1998. Master Chief Widler has been the only member in the history of the Security Group Reserve Program to attain the rank of Master Chief Petty Officer in the CTA rating. He has served in numerous active duty and reserve assignments in Colorado, Alaska, Kansas and Washington D.C. He has served as the key enlisted member of national teams where he was instrumental in the development of an action plan to restructure portions of the Naval Reserve program. He served as the national advisor to validate Naval Reserve support billets at the National Security Agency. His career has been distinguished by excellence in leadership and a deep commitment to the United States of America. Master Chief Widler has continuously demonstrated superior management abilities, administrative expertise and an abiding concern for his shipmates. His outstanding performance, inspiring leadership and total dedication to duty have reflected great credit upon himself, the State of Colorado and the United States Navy. Please join me in thanking CTACM Mike Widler for his 30 years of service and on a job well done.

# PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1998

SPEECH OF

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, July 24, 1998*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about a specific provision in the Patient Protection Act.

According to the *Washington Post*, and I quote: "The Republican-crafted Patient Protection Act of 1998 would allow anyone who collects health information . . . to provide that data to any health care provider or health plan". In other words, no one's personal health care information will be private. From your broken leg, to your HIV status, to your genetic makeup, to your psychiatric records—all of it can be bought and sold between hospitals, health maintenance organizations, doctors, pharmacies and insurers. Anyone in the health care business will be able to find out the most intimate details of your life under the Patient Protection Act.

As Mr. DINGELL said, "This is one of the worst outrages that I've seen." It is an outrage. It is also unconstitutional. The Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution guarantees "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures."

The taking of personal health information under the false pretense that this information is private, and selling or giving that information away violates the right of the people to be "secure in their persons". Rifling through a persons' health care files for the purpose of selling that information is an unlawful search. And accepting this information without the patient's consent is an unlawful seizure.

It is no accident that the bill actually does protect patients is the Patient Bill of Rights. The Dingell-Ganske Patient Bill of Rights reforms the HMO industry without invading the constitutionally protected right to privacy. I urge my colleagues to vote for the Dingell-Ganske Patient Bill of Rights.

## IN TRIBUTE

SPEECH OF

**HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mrs. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, it's difficult to add to what my fellow Members of Congress have said here today about the dedication and commitment of the Capitol Police Force.

Officers Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson gave their lives so that some of my colleagues might live.

I did not know officers Gibson or Chestnut. But they laid down their lives for my fellow Members and in so doing, they were my friends.

I want to simply thank the Capitol Police Force for their acts of bravery. And I deeply admire their courage—not only in the face of danger but also in the face of tremendous grief these past few days.

Officers Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson are leaving behind wives and children. I extend my condolences to them, and I also extend my condolences to my fellow Members of the House because we all clearly have lost two friends—two people who were committed to service—who were committed to us. Committed to this country and committed to democracy.

They have continued to stand proudly and helpfully on the streets and corners of Capitol Hill carrying on through these difficult days.

We remember these two brave officers today—and will memorialize them in the Capitol building.

It's also a time to remember the officers across the country who have laid down their lives for the citizens they protect.

Right now—near my home town—a 28 year old officer is struggling to stay alive after a teenager shot him in cold blood. Officer Gerard Carter took a bullet to his head as he walked with a fellow officer apparently on his beat in Staten Island.

Officer Carter had recently received the "Policeman of the Month" award. He is married and has a young son. I pray for his survival.

## IN MEMORY OF DAVID GOLDWARE

**HON. KEN CALVERT**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 1998*

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to an individual whose dedication to the community and to the overall well-being of the 43d Congressional District is unparalleled. My district has been fortunate to have dynamic and dedicated community leaders who willingly and unselfishly give of their time and talents to make their communities a better place to live and work. Mr. David Goldware was first among these individuals. He died last week at the age of 81.

David Goldware was a man who never shied away from becoming involved from helping others and helping his community. He was a strong advocate for the less fortunate, for his community, and the country he loved.

David Goldware served with honor in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was decorated with a presidential unit citation for saving the life of a fellow crewman when their ship was torpedoed. After leaving the Navy, he continued this commitment to his country through his involvement with veterans' issues. When the Riverside National Cemetery fell into disrepair a few years ago, David helped put together any army of volunteers to clean up the cemetery and maintain the grounds.

He was also active in many community organizations, including B'nai B'rith, Temple Beth El, City of Hope, Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce, United Way, Boy Scouts of America, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Riverside Community Hospital Foundation, and the Janet Goeske Senior Center. His good deeds and work in the community would fill pages and pages were I to try and list them all. David's outstanding accomplishments made everyone who met him proud to call him a friend, community leader, and fellow American.

David was a wonderful guy—he brightened up every room and every person he met. He became the unofficial historian at every event he attended because he always had his camera with him. I have pictures in my desk drawer that David sent to me of a charity event in Riverside that were taken just a few days before his death. As always, David was there with his camera and a smile for everyone he met.

David would have agreed that his greatest accomplishment was his family. He married his wife, June, in 1942 and together they raised two wonderful sons. She has recently preceded him in death. My deepest condolences go to David's sons, Michael and Nick. My thoughts and prayers are with them. David Goldware will be sorely missed—I don't know how you replace someone like him. The 43d Congressional District, and I, have lost a dear friend. We can best honor him by trying to meet the same high standard he set as a patriot, citizen, and friend.

## IN TRIBUTE

SPEECH OF

**HON. ANNE M. NORTHUP**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 28, 1998*

Mrs. NORTHUP. Mr. Speaker, I recognize that my few remarks here today could never adequately express the profound sadness felt by myself, my Congressional colleagues members of the Capitol Hill Police Force and indeed the entire nation, over the slaying of Officer J.J. Chestnut and Detective John Gibson.

Last Friday, an individual bent on destruction and misery, launched an attack on this building. But he did much more than that. He also attacked the very freedom this building symbolizes. But he was not successful. At that critical moment in time, two officers performed the duties they were sworn to, and sacrificed their lives to save others.

This tragedy has affected all of us. I believe that during the past few days, Americans have paused to reflect what freedom and democracy mean to them. Because the Capitol is much more than just a building. The Capitol Hill Police Force do not just project a physical